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Re:

Statement of Substance of Interview

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/060,398 Attorney Docket No. FUJI.014 (PU01-01115)

### Examiner Nguyen:

Enclosed is a Statement of Substance of Interview, which we request be made of record, for the telephone interview conducted on March 24, 2005.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,

Frederick E. Cooperrider Registration No. 36,769

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Serial No.: 10/060,398

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Filed: February 1, 2002

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For:

LIGHT EMITTING DIODE DRIVING CIRCUIT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Sir:

In response to the requirement that Applicants place a statement of the substance of an interview in the record, Applicant hereby submits the following.

Applicant's representative received a telephone call from the Examiner on March 23, 2005. The Examiner stated that he was ready to allow the Application if claims 8 and 9 were incorporated into claim 6. Following coordination with the Applicant, Applicant's representative on March 24, 2005, authorized the Examiner to make such changes by Examiner's Amendment.

The Examiner called back requesting authorization to charge the Applicant's representative's deposit number for a time extension fee. Applicant's representative stated that he considered the charge for the time extension fee was not appropriate in this instance under the exception described in MPEP §706.07(I): "However, an examiner's amendment correcting only formal matters which are identified for the first time after a reply is made to a final Office action would not require any extension fee, since the reply to the final Office action put the application in condition for allowance except for the correction of formal matters, the correction of which had not yet been required by the examiner."

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Applicant submits that, in the present instance, the Examiner's requirement that dependent claims be incorporated into the dependent claim is a mere formal matter that was not previously of record by either the newly-appointed Examiner or the previous Examiner.

However, in order to expedite prosecution, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Attorney Deposit Account No. 50-0481 for the appropriate time extension fee. A request for refund potentially will be filed to address the propriety of the charge in the instant case.

Date

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#### **CERTIFICATION OF TRANSMISSION**

I certify that I transmitted via facsimile to (703) 872-9306 this Statement of Substance of Interview to Examiner C. Nguyen on March 28, 2005.

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